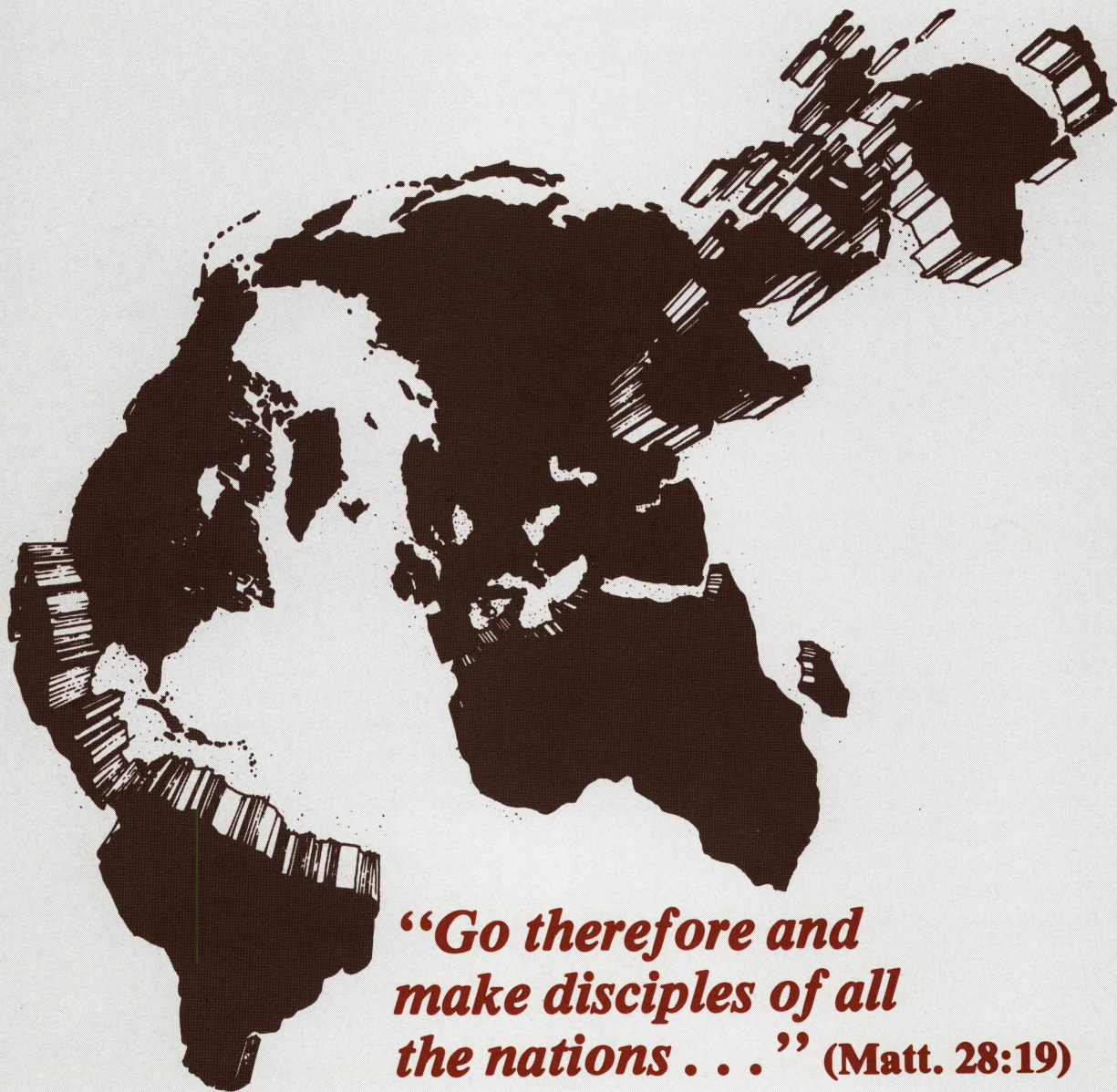


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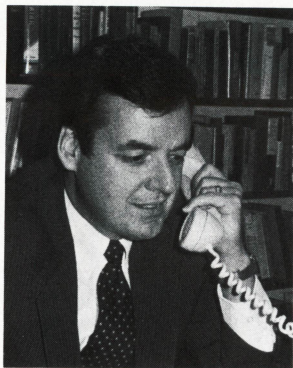
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*“Go therefore and
make disciples of all
the nations . . .” (Matt. 28:19)*

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While making a pastoral call in a hospital last year, I saw a sign which read:

There are three kinds of people in the world:

1. Those who make things happen.
2. Those who watch things happen.
3. Those who wonder what happened.

Far too often the church finds herself drifting into categories two and three. But our Lord Jesus Christ gave His last commandment to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." He said, **Make things happen.**

This morning I was reading about the life of William Carey, often referred to as the "Father of Modern Missions." He was one of those who made things happen. When he inquired about the church's obligation to spread the gospel to all the world, he was quickly reprimanded by the chairman of the meeting who said, "You are a miserable enthusiast for asking such a question. Nothing can be done before another Pentecost." Carey was stunned by the rebuke, but he persevered. He remained silent for the rest of that meeting, but six years later he wrote a pamphlet, "An Enquiry into the Obligation of Christians to Use Means for the Conversion of the Heathens." One person later called this Enquiry the "Missionary Manifesto."

Less than three weeks later, Carey preached his well-known message out of which was born the Particular Baptist Society for the Propagation of the Gospel among the Heathen. In that message, he rebuked the lifeless Anglican Church and his own Baptist denomination for their lack of missionary vision and faith. Carey challenged them with his now famous quote, "Expect great things *from* God. Attempt great things *for* God."

That challenge is still ours today. We are dedicated to the task of equipping men and women for the ministry of propagating the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to all the "people groups" of the world. We are told there are yet 16,750 of these unique "ethnic groups" without a gospel witness among them. It is our desire to make things happen. William Carey made things happen. Our Lord Jesus Christ made things happen. He commands His church to do the same. Our prayer is that this might be said of Washington Bible College and Capital Bible Seminary.

As you read this issue of *REFLECTIONS* ask the Lord to "enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations; spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes" (Isa. 54:2).

For the Harvest,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Harry E. Fletcher".

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Who Are The 'HIDDEN PEOPLES'?

When Christ commanded His followers (the church) to make disciples of all nations (Matt. 28:19), He was directing their attention to distinct peoples, not mere countries or political entities. The Greek word translated "nations" is *ethnos* from which we get our English word "ethnic" (see Dayton, *Planning Strategies for World Evangelism*, p. 119). The "Great Commission" will not be exhausted by merely penetrating every *nation* of the world, but must continue until every (ethnic) *people* group has received the gospel. God, the Creator of all men, has always desired that all peoples be reached:

Declare His glory among the
heathen,
His wonders among all peoples.
Give unto the Lord, O ye kindreds
of the peoples,
give to the Lord glory and strength,
Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty
of holiness:
fear before Him, all the earth.
--Psalm 96:3, 7, 9

What is a People Group?

Current mission writers identify *people groups as groups unified by some basic characteristic* such as language, religion, ethnic origin, economic status, occupation, geographic location, or social position which sets them apart from other groups.

What is a Hidden People Group?

The term "hidden peoples" is intended to identify a group which has not been evangelized or has not received the gospel message in its own language in a culturally understandable way. Until approximately 10-20% of the members of a group are practicing Christians, claiming the Bible as their basis of faith and the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior, the group may be considered "unreached." Or, as further defined, it is a group of people who lack a sufficiently indigenous community of believers to evangelize their own group without outside help.

Biblical Illustrations of Hidden Peoples

In the day of the early church, the Samaritans represented a "hidden people." They were not hidden because they were out of sight. They were not an unlocated tribe. They were hidden because the traditions of Judaism kept the eyes of the apostles blind toward their need. Even though Jesus had demonstrated the fact that the Samaritans were loved by God (John 4), the early church could not see it.

In fact, as far as the first century church was concerned, the entire Gentile world was a hidden group. Peter and the other apostles had no intention of taking the gospel to pagan nations. The Gentiles were hidden only because of the blindness of the apostles. In Acts chapter 10, we find Peter breaking Jewish tradition that kept the early church from having an outreach to the Gentile world. In Acts chapter 11, Peter defends that action. It is only then that the early church became aware of its responsibility to evangelize Gentiles.

Who Are Hidden Peoples?

Hidden groups are usually thought to be remote tribes, peoples or nations, but this is not always true. They can be hidden in the sense that they have not yet been located or they have been neglected by the church. They may be the poverty stricken, illiterate or the outcast people. Or they may be the wealthy, the highly educated and the ruling class. However, it is clear from Scripture that *all* people are to be given the opportunity to hear the gospel. The gospel is for all men and is to be presented to everyone. No man is to be "hidden" from exposure to the gospel because of his religious, social, cultural, economic, academic or physical condition.

Two Examples to Follow

Our Lord's public ministry extended from the blind to the sighted, from the

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illiterate to the educated, from the poverty stricken to the wealthy, from the irreligious to the highly religious, and from the Jewish world to the Gentile. This same fact is vividly demonstrated in the life of the Apostle Paul. He was determined to become "all things to all men that he might by all means save some." His eyes were opened to all and for him there were no hidden groups.

These two examples should be followed by the church today. It is certainly unscriptural for the church to be surrounded by groups of people who have not been noticed or who have been neglected. The overall missionary endeavor of the church must be to make every attempt to locate all groups of people and to avoid neglecting any people in the sharing of the gospel. God has not commissioned the church to bring the world to Christ. God has commanded us to take Christ to the world.

Our Responsibility

Therefore, with renewed vigor, let us share the good news with every man: God sent His only Son in the form of a man to pay the penalty of our sins by His death on the cross; by believing in Christ a person may have peace with God through the forgiveness of sins; and he may know he will live with God for all eternity (see 1 John 5:11-13).

Dr. Hillis serves as Minister of Missions and Instructor in Missions both at WBC and CBS. As a veteran missionary to India, he later served as Associate Director of The Evangelical Alliance Mission before coming to join the WBC/CBS family.

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REPRESENTING HIDDEN PEOPLES: A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

We have the privilege of training a number of international students at Washington Bible College and Capital Bible Seminary. Some have come from familiar places such as Canada, Japan and Nigeria. Others have come from less well-known locales and might be considered "hidden peoples." Two of our graduates of this latter group were interviewed to gain further understanding of hidden peoples.



THE UNREACHED SARAMACCAN PEOPLE

Samo Amoida came to Washington Bible College from Suriname. He was born in a small country village in the southern part of this country on the northeastern coast of South America. His people are known as the Saramaccan and number between 25,000 and 30,000. Samo's people trace their roots back to the African country of Ghana and have retained many traditional animistic beliefs.

Samo left his rural area in order to go to school where he received instruction in Dutch, the official language of Suriname. Most of his classmates will not return to their home area because it is so severely underdeveloped. Samo does plan to return, and he hopes to use his education completed here in America to help meet the spiritual and educational needs of the Saramaccan people.

The Saramaccan are unified as a group, not only by race and language, but also by their fear of the spirit world and their traditional religious customs such as taboos and animal sacrifices. Samo feels that their belief in a Supreme Creator is one factor which can help them to understand the gospel. The Saramaccan elders think that Christianity is only for the young people who can move to the city. In reality, they are largely unaware of Jesus Christ and the meaning of the gospel.

Since 1968, linguists from Wycliffe Bible Translators have been working in Suriname. The New Testament is now becoming available in the Saramaccan language. Samo has found that there is a favorable attitude toward Christianity especially among those who are learning to read. Presently, he estimates that there are about 1,500 to 2,000 believers in some 10 locations. Some are being trained, but the need is great. Pray for Samo and the Saramaccan people as they face the challenge of change and pray that the message of Christ will be their hope.



THE UNREACHED POKOT PEOPLE

Julius Murgor comes from the Pokot tribe in Western Kenya. He estimates that there are approximately 220,000 Pokot people who live mainly in the northwest drought and famine sector of Kenya near the border of Uganda. The people live by herding sheep, goats, and cattle in these remote areas. Their common language is Pokot, but many also speak Kiswahili. The great majority have never heard the gospel and still practice their traditional animistic religion.

Julius was sent to one of the southern cities to study. Through an older student he heard the good news of God's grace. He dedicated himself to train for Christian service and studied at the Kenya Highlands Bible College before coming to WBC.

Julius feels that there is an openness to religious change, especially among the young people, and that the time is right for approaching the Pokot people with the gospel. Among the Pokot who have interacted with the missionaries in the south, several churches have been established which are struggling to support evangelistic, church-planting teams to their own tribe. This means great sacrifice for them as they face severe shortages.

After working as an evangelist for some years, Julius also sees additional needs in the areas of education and medicine and a need to revise an earlier, inadequate translation of the Scripture. He rejoices at the prospect of seeing mission agencies cooperate with the young African church to establish an evangelistic outreach and to help the Pokot learn to read so that they can study the Scripture for themselves. Let us pray that the Pokot people will not remain "hidden" and unreached.

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FINDING OUT ABOUT HIDDEN PEOPLE GROUPS

JOSEPH D. SPINELLA

Among the large variety of resources available to develop our knowledge and convictions about Christian missions today is a growing number of publications focusing attention on the hidden people groups.

The Missions Advanced Research and Communication Center (MARC), a ministry of World Vision International, has been a leader in providing strategic information concerning unreached peoples. They have promoted the outstanding *Unreached Peoples* series annually since 1979 under the sponsorship of the Strategy Working Group of the Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization. (Volumes '79 through '82 were published by David C. Cook Publishing Co.)

Unreached Peoples '79 set the pace with an excellent introduction to the subject by editors C. Peter Wagner and Edward R. Dayton. Typical case studies are given along with some expanded descriptions of selected unreached peoples. This is followed by the initial registry of groups indexed by five categories: name, receptivity, religion, language, and country. This volume defines the basic ground work needed to understand the unreached and to form a strategy to reach them.

Unreached Peoples '80 continues to present the challenge of the church's unfinished business with additional information especially focused on the Muslim peoples. Contributors Michael Youssef and Don McCurry write perceptively about the worldwide developments in Muslim evangelism answering serious questions for work among Muslims. This volume adds dozens of additional case studies and expanded descriptions as well as an accumulative index which registers almost 2,000 groups under the categories established in the first volume.

Unreached Peoples '81 features the peoples of Asia while continuing to increase the worldwide registry. Along with special articles on China, South Korea, and Thailand it devotes space to Ralph Winter's analysis of the task remaining and his highlight of hidden people groups. The accumulative registry includes an index of 2,914 unreached peoples.

Unreached Peoples '82 continued the development of the challenge to the church by emphasizing the urban people groups of the world. Dr. Samuel Wilson replaced Dr. Wagner as co-editor of the series, discussing the advantages and problems of using the people group concept in world evangelization. Again, case studies and many expanded descriptions precede the enlarged registry section with its indexes.

The Refugee Among Us: Unreached Peoples '83 continues the series with an analysis of refugee groups of the world and how Christians are reaching them with the gospel. It is estimated that there are 15 million refugees worldwide. This volume presents an irreplaceable resource for anyone attempting to minister to refugees since it contains specific, informative case studies leading to valuable guiding principles. The registry of unreached peoples completes the issue.

The Future of World Evangelization: Unreached Peoples '84 appears to be a climax to the series. It summarizes the Lausanne Movement and takes a look ahead. An annotated bibliography points out further publications in this field. The registry of 3,815 unreached people groups is the most up-to-date list available.

Also especially noteworthy is the *World Christian Encyclopedia* edited by David B. Barrett, which offers an amazingly exhaustive compendium of

information country-by-country around the world. Not to be overlooked is the paperback edition of *Operation World* by P. J. Johnstone which is designed to supply facts and prayer needs for all countries.

An interesting monthly devotional focus on hidden peoples is the *Frontier Fellowship's Global Prayer Digest* which is available from the U.S. Center for World Mission. For research and study, the *International Journal of Frontier Missions*, published by World Christian, Inc., is an aid to equip and encourage missionary involvement with the unreached.

Mission Handbook: North American Protestant Ministries Overseas, edited by Samuel Wilson, contains a comprehensive descriptive directory of 714 mission agencies. Missions-minded churches need this handbook for counseling and planning information for their missions participation.

An extraordinary chart formulated by Ralph D. Winter of the U.S. Center for World Mission sums up in a graphic way the contemporary situation. Published annually under the title "Unreached Peoples of the World," it is a feast of facts presented in an easily digested pie chart.

Reading one or more of these books will expand your knowledge and burden for these "hidden peoples."

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Missionary opportunities are springing up in our own backyards! *Christianity Today* calls attention to this with its July 12, 1985, cover entitled, "The Overseas Challenge Comes Home." Are we aware that there are reachable "unreached people" near us? Our response to this challenge will reveal the reality and depth of our missionary commitment. Churches have annual missionary conferences and most of us would consider ourselves "promissions." But are we committed enough to do more than allocate a percentage of our giving to missions? If our interest in foreign missions is genuine, then we should also be interested in reaching people in our own backyards. We (as believers and as local churches) need to expand our efforts to reach out cross-culturally to people living near us, especially those who have not been reached with the gospel.

Definition of Hidden People

Missions strategy during the past 10 years has shifted increasingly away from planning in terms of political boundaries (e.g., nations) toward planning in terms of people groups. As defined earlier in

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REFLECTIONS, a people group is a "significantly large sociological grouping of individuals who perceive themselves to have a common affinity for one another because of their shared language, religion, ethnicity, residence, occupation, class or caste, situation, etc., or combinations of these" (*Unreached Peoples '79*, p. 23). Every nation and city is comprised of several such "people groups." Designating some of these groups as "hidden" means that members of such groups have little or no contact with the gospel or Christian people of other groups. We readily grasp the fact that some groups of people abroad fit into this category, for example, isolated tribes and groups in "closed" Communist and Muslim countries. Some

Locating "Hidden People Near Us

GEORGE M. HARTON

of us, however, are unaware that several groups of people near us are equally hidden from evangelistic efforts. We might think that our nation and local area have been evangelized in general; but, we cannot say that every particular people group in our country has been reached.

Discovery of Hidden People Near Us

Immigrants, foreign students, and migrant workers constitute three categories of potential people "hiding" in our backyards. The recent tidal wave of immigrants coming to our shores remains largely unassimilated into the church. *Christianity Today* (July 12, 1985, p. 18) reports 379,900 Cambodians, Laotians, and Vietnamese arrived in a three year period (1979-1981). In the same period 170,000 Cubans and Haitians came. It is also estimated that 200,000 to 250,000 Salvadorans arrived between 1979 and 1983. Hundreds of thousands of Guatemalans, Koreans, Mexicans, and illegal aliens further swell the ranks. Ralph Winter estimates that between 100 and 150 languages may be heard in Los Angeles alone. Foreign students also comprise part of this mission field that has come to our shores. Such students, numbering just over 100,000 in 1965, now number over 500,000 only 20 years later.

Not all the hidden people are foreigners. Migrant workers include many Americans whose work and geographic mobility "hide" them from a consistent Christian witness. Agricultural workers who follow harvest seasons from area to area, race track residents who move from track to track, and hockey players who spend

about half the year on the road rarely get involved in church or have much contact with Christians. Does your church have any immigrants, foreign students, or migrant workers in it? Do you know whether or not anyone is reaching them for Christ in your area?

Descriptions of Some Hidden People Ministries

Special efforts to reach the unreached are already in progress. Besides general evangelistic programs, parachurch ministries have been founded with specific people groups as targets. International Students, Inc. (ISI) and Hockey Ministries International are two such groups.

Local churches in many communities have begun to speak the language of the deaf and the mentally retarded and have

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thereby reached into their worlds and brought them into the church. Many young people in low-income neighborhoods understood Jesus Christ only as

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profanity until some church cared enough to sponsor a bus ministry and introduce them to the Savior. Rescue missions have long served as the arm of local churches reaching out cooperatively to transients and drop-outs who would otherwise not darken the door of a church building. The Church of the Open Door shares in reaching out to the 150,000 homosexuals in San Francisco and has a half-way house for ex-gays moving toward full church involvement. South Main Baptist Church in Houston has reached hundreds of Cambodians and involved them in the church. Each ministry started with an awareness of a hidden people group in need of the gospel and developed programs to win and train them for Christ.

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Individual believers and families have also been taking initiative. My wife and I once reached a young Thai family through friendship evangelism while they studied in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Several families in Bowie, Maryland, have helped Ethiopian refugees in the past year. Two of the 1985 graduates of Capital Bible Seminary have been ministering to Laotians under the supervision of Barcroft Bible Church in Arlington, Virginia. Two Washington Bible College students have developed a ministry to reach area Muslims through literature and personal evangelism. Only the Lord Himself knows how much work is already being done by individuals, churches, and parachurch organizations.

The presupposition that our area has been evangelized blinds some to individuals and groups needing to be made the target of special effort.

Difficulties in Locating Hidden People Near Us

Unreached peoples in our own area may be hidden from us by *geographical* distance (they live in different neighborhoods that we do not visit), or *ethnic* distance (they look and seem different and we struggle in relating to them), or *social* distance (they do not move in our circles), or *language* distance (they do not speak English well), or *time* distance (they live and work a schedule that precludes much contact with us). Any one of these external obstacles can be overcome by determined effort as we go to them (geography), adapt to their ways (ethnic), accept them as they are (social), communicate carefully (language), and rearrange our schedule and availability (time).

These external obstacles are not as formidable to overcome as some of the internal difficulties paralyzing the church's outreach to hidden people. The *presupposition* that our area has been evangelized blinds some to individuals and groups needing to be made the target of special effort. *Self-satisfaction* (spiritually or materially) often produces tunnel vision and disinterest in outreach in general. *Prejudice* (racial, ethnic, religious, or class) blocks many from reaching out to specific people groups. Some believers welcome reaching any group abroad, but will not welcome every group into their church. *Lack of commitment* to the Lord and His work makes the cost (in time and effort) for others too high to reach out cross-culturally.

Doing Something About Hidden People Near Us

God's Word mandates that we reach all people and some of the people living closest to us may be currently

unreached and "hidden" from evangelistic efforts. Christians have become aware of some of these people, but more needs to be done. Conscious effort by believers can remove the external and internal barriers impeding outreach.

Anyone taking up this challenge should first seek to *identify* possible hidden peoples by gathering government statistics on population. City and county officials keep track of all residents as it impacts their labor market and taxes. Then, each potential hidden group should be *evaluated* in terms of gospel exposure, church involvement, and responsiveness to prior witness. Those directing the outreach must then *select* the target group, *plan* a strategy, *recruit* and *organize* resources, and *reach out*. Further study may be needed before implementing these steps.

The potential is great, especially in light of the historic responsiveness of migrating peoples in search of new roots. Each believer and church leader willing to "lengthen his cords" (Isa. 54:2) can have a worldwide impact on an entire group of people where they are and possibly where they are from.

Where are the missionaries to minister to the millions of "hidden people" in the USA? Are you one of them? Will you become one? What are you doing? What target group are you praying for?

Each believer and church leader willing to "lengthen his cords" (Isa. 54:2) can have a worldwide impact.

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I watched intently as my wide-eyed host in Honinabi village produced the evening delicacy -- singed caterpillars. As the guest of honor, I, of course, was offered the first pick. I paused briefly, carefully trying to decide which one would taste the best, and then lifted the burned and fuzzy treasure from the plate and placed it gently in my mouth. Not bad . . . certainly of a different sort than the grub worm I had a few weeks later -- the soft, juicy insides burst open leaving a rather strange and lasting taste in my mouth. Missionary life in the tropical jungles of Papua New Guinea certainly has its interesting moments.

The independent nation of Papua New Guinea occupies the eastern half of the second largest island in the world, which stretches like a 1,400-mile long bird across the South Pacific. Its population of more than three million people is divided by language, culture, and tradition into over 700 different people groups.

Scattered across the Western Province of Papua New Guinea are many small tribes, each numbering between 500 and 2,000 people. Many of these isolated groups are unreached, with nothing of God's Word in their own language, and living as their ancestors did in centuries past. Although they have been by-passed by the church, these forgotten people have never been overlooked by the One who created them and gave His life for them. Today the Lord of the Harvest is leading a new generation of missionary pioneers into this new frontier.

My story dates back to my days as a student at Washington Bible College (1976-80). I can vividly remember the unique fellowship I enjoyed with a number of my fellow students as we shared Christ's concern for unreached tribal people. Weekly Student Missions Fellowship (SMF) prayer meetings fueled our desire to be messengers of Christ to those who had never heard. Somehow, one-by-one we began to sense that our destinies were related. Within a couple of years after graduation, many of us became members of a new and innovative mission board, PIONEERS, and requested service among the tribal people of Papua New Guinea.

One of these unreached tribal groups is the Samo-Kubo tribe, a group of approximately 1,500 former cannibal people living in the Upper Fly River area. In January 1981, a delegation of Kubo men from Suabi village went to a mission station in the neighboring Biami tribe to ask their former enemies for a pastor to come and teach them God's Word. Responding to that invitation was Pastor Feagoni, a former cannibal and spirit medium who was miraculously saved in the mid-1970s.

In March 1982, I joined Feagoni in this pioneer outreach. The Lord led us to an ideal airstrip site next to the Cecelia River where we could establish a base in the tribe. Entangled in thick tropical rain forest, with a small portable two-way radio serving as my only contact with the outside world, we began to construct the strip by hand, using shovels, picks, machetes, axes, and wheelbarrows carried in overland for 20 miles from the nearest airstrip. All of the trees, some 150 feet high, had to be dug out by the roots. Removing one tree could keep a team of six men busy for a full day!



John and his new bride, Celia, are presently home on furlough with plans to return early 1986 to Papua New Guinea. John is a 1980 graduate of Washington Bible College.



Pioneering for Christ

JOHN FLETCHER



After much of the initial work was done, a tractor was airlifted by helicopter so we could shape the strip surface to help in draining water -- our area averages over 250 inches of rain per year! On December 18, 1984, our hard work came to a joyful end when a tiny, single-engine airplane came out of the sky and landed on the 2,300 foot airstrip for the first time.

Each day before starting to work on the airstrip, the village people would gather in front of my bush house for a church service. It was during these times that Pastor Feagoni and I patiently taught the people simple Bible truths. Slowly, we began to see different ones grow in their spiritual understanding and awareness of God's love for them. Without a doubt, the greatest thrill during my first term was in seeing the establishment of Christ's church among these unreached people. On March 25, 1985, eight Kubo Christians testified before their fellow villagers that they were "walking on Jesus' trail," and then, in obedience, were baptized in the river next to the airstrip. The baptism was followed by a communion service and feast.

The only light for the entire tribe now rests with the believers of our newly formed church. Most of the tribe is still held captive by Satan. Evil spirits, magic, curing dances, and sorcery are a way of life for these animistic people. The task of further extending the outreach of the gospel to the remainder of the tribe is still before us.

Since returning home on furlough the Lord has provided me with a wonderful wife to share in this great work. My wife, Celia, will be able to use her training and skills as a nurse to help meet the tremendous physical needs of the Samo-Kubo people. After a time of further preparation at the International Linguistics Center in Dallas, Texas, this fall, we plan to return to Papua New Guinea in January 1986. Our ministry during this next term will include language learning and a thorough linguistic analysis of the unwritten Kubo dialect, developing an orthography, commencing Bible translation and a literacy program, village evangelism, discipleship, and training church leaders.

Together, we share the spirit of David Brainerd who said, "I cared not where or how I lived or what hardships I went through, so that I could but gain souls for Christ. All my desire was for the conversion of the heathen, and all my hope was in God." Our confidence is that we are laboring in the cause of the One whose purpose it is to save some from every tribe, tongue, and nation. To Him be all the glory!

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

John's co-laborers in Papua New Guinea include **Vance and Patty (Hollis) Woodyard (WBC '79)** serving among the 800-1,000 primitive Konai people, **Dale and Carin (Glenn) Leroy (WBC '80)** in the unreached Gobasi tribe (800-1,000 people), **Alvin Hull (WBC '81)** among the nearly 2,000 Aramba people, **Ruth Wright (WBC '78)**, a missionary nurse, and **Carol Baur (WBC '79)**, a missionary teacher.

Also, recently arriving in Papua New Guinea to do church planting work in an unreached tribe are **Sal Lofaso (WBC '80)** and his wife **Karin**. Presently on deputation and raising their support to do similar work are **Tom (WBC '82)** and **Robin (Weiler, WBC '84) Coleman**. All of these are serving under the auspices of PIONEERS, a mission agency dedicated solely to reaching unreached people groups around the world.



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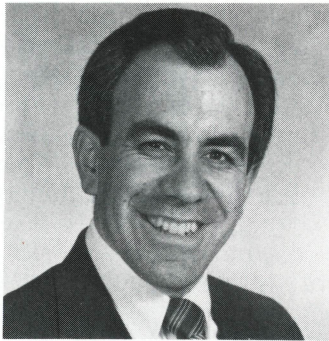
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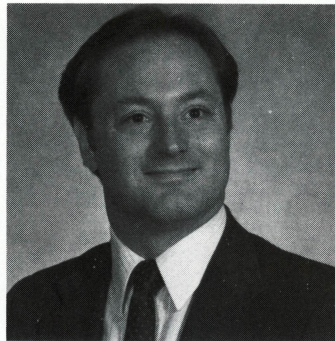
President Harry E. Fletcher recently introduced new College and Seminary personnel.

Rev. Jerry Benjamin joins us as Director of Public Affairs for the College and Seminary. He will also teach Bible part-time in the College. Jerry received his Master of Divinity from Capital Bible Seminary. He is also pursuing the Master of Theology degree from CBS. Prior to seminary, Jerry served for a number of years on staff with the Institute in Basic Youth Conflicts.

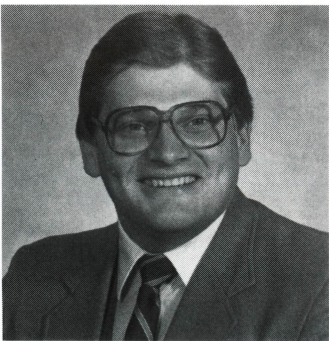
Jerry's wife Linda is former secretary to the WBC Academic Dean. They are expecting their first child in November.



Rev. Jerry Benjamin



Dr. Douglas Lyon



Dr. Jeffrey Watson



Dr. George Harton

Dr. Douglas Lyon has been appointed Director of Admissions for the College and Seminary. He is a graduate of WBC and CBS. Doug received his Doctorate of Ministry degree from Luther Rice Seminary. Since graduating from CBS, Doug has served as a chaplain with the Good News Mission and Associate Pastor at the York Gospel Center in York, PA. Doug will also be teaching part-time in the College.

Doug's wife, **Barbara** (WBC '78), is the Team Coordinator and Alumni Placement Secretary in the Public Affairs Department. They, too, are expecting their first child in March.

Dr. Jeffrey Watson rejoins the WBC faculty as Dean of Men. Jeff formerly taught in our Old Testament Department from 1979 to 1983. While serving for five years as an associate pastor locally, he taught part-time at the College. We are excited that Jeff is back to teach as well as serve our men students in the area of their daily personal walk with the Lord.

Dr. George Harton has been appointed the Acting Academic Dean for Capital Bible Seminary this academic year. In addition to his teaching, Dr. Harton represents the CBS faculty in an advisory capacity as a member of the President's Cabinet. He has been on the Seminary faculty since 1981.

Part-time faculty appointments include **Rev. Fred DiLella** and **Rev. James Turner**.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS AND CHANGES

Mr. Kevin Brooks -- Correspondence School Administrator (Part-time)

Mr. Darrell DeHaven -- Administrator of Financial Aid

Mrs. Harriette Gordon -- Student Personnel Services Secretary/Housing Secretary

Mr. Neil Holliker -- Assistant Academic Dean and Registrar, WBC

Mrs. Barbara Lyon -- Team Coordinator/Alumni Placement Secretary

Mr. David Malecki -- Production Supervisor

Mrs. Doris Marquis -- Accounts Payable Clerk

Miss Sue Painter -- Secretary to Academic Dean and Registrar, WBC

Miss Linda Shull -- Admissions Office Secretary

FALL REGISTRATION

Capital Bible Seminary enrolled its largest number of students yet -- 140! Many of the students are those who have spent some time in ministry and now desire graduate study. Others have completed one career and are now preparing for full-time Christian work as a second career.

The attitude on the College side of the campus is also very exciting with 109 new students, an increase over last year. Though the total enrollment did not reach our goal for this semester, our students are enthusiastic and serious about their studies. We rejoice that the Lord sent them to us.

Pray with us as we plan for added growth in the future.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

November

- 4-8 WBC Spiritual Life Week
Guest: **Dr. Donald Hubbard**, Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, NY
- 7-8, 11 **CBS Registration: Winter Quarter**
- 8-9 **College Preview Weekend**
Prospective Student Days
- 16 **Estate Planning Seminar** (On Campus)
- 21 WBC Spiritual Life Day
Guest: **Dr. Robert Norris**, Senior Pastor, Fourth Presbyterian Church, Bethesda, MD

DECEMBER

- 6-7 Women's Auxiliary **Christmas Concert and Dinner**
- 10-13 CBS Special Lecture Series: "Old Testament Problem Passages"
Guest: **Dr. Kenneth Barker**, Executive Secretary, International Bible Society, NY
- 21 Christmas Recess Begins

JANUARY

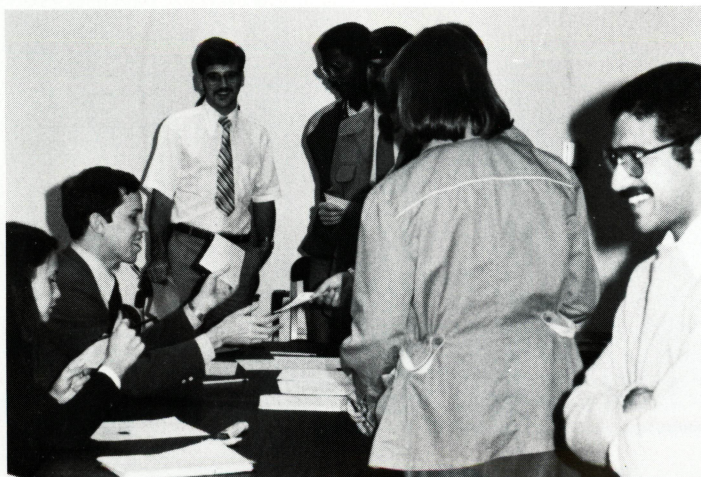
- 2-4 WBC Invitational High School Basketball Tournament
- 14-15 **WBC Registration: Second Semester**

FEBRUARY

- 5-7 **WBC/CBS World Missions Conference**
Guest: **Rev. George Murray**, Executive Director, Bible Christian Union
- 13-14, 17 **CBS Registration: Spring Quarter**
- 17 Adult Education Classes Begin

PLAN AHEAD WITH THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Mark the following dates of our future Auxiliary Brunches on your new 1986 calendar: March 1, June 7, and September 6. It is a good time to introduce your friends to the school. Now that you have taken care of, we hope you have **December 6 and 7** already circled to invite your friends to the **Annual Christmas Buffet and Concert** (men are also invited). Our **30th Anniversary Auxiliary Cookbook** will be on sale for the first time for only \$5 during these evenings. All proceeds above expenses will go toward providing computer terminals in the school.



M.A. IN MISSIONS

If God has used this issue of REFLECTIONS to stir your heart to take the gospel to hidden peoples, the Capital Bible Seminary has something for you. This fall, CBS began its new **missions major** in the Master of Arts curriculum. The emphasis is in cross-cultural communications and overseas ministry, with a strong biblical foundation. The authors of the articles in this issue of REFLECTIONS teach many of the missions courses. Plan now to attend.

ORDINATIONS

Congratulations to **Phil Bena** (WBC '80), Director of Christian Service, and to **Jerry Benjamin** (CBS '85), Director of Public Affairs. Phil was ordained by Riverdale Baptist Church on August 28. Jerry received his ordination commission from Forcey Memorial Church on September 1.

CBS LECTURE SERIES 1985-86

Dr. George Harton, Acting Academic Dean for Capital Bible Seminary, announced the Annual Lecture Series for 1985-86. These lectures are designed to stimulate you intellectually and motivate you spiritually. We would be pleased to have you attend these lectures by these outstanding teachers. There is no charge.

Dr. John J. Davis, Professor of Old Testament, Grace Theological Seminary, Winona Lake, Indiana
Topic: "Modern Archaeology and Biblical Truth"
Dates: October 15-18, 1985

Dr. Kenneth L. Barker, Executive Secretary, New York International Bible Society, New York
Topic: "Old Testament Problem Passages"
Dates: December 10-13, 1985

Rev. George Murray, General Director, Bible Christian Union, Lebanon, PA
Topic: WBC/CBS World Missions Conference
Dates: February 5-7, 1986

Mr. Zane C. Hodges, Professor of New Testament Literature and Exegesis, Dallas Theological Seminary, Texas
Topic: "The Original Text of the Book of Revelation"
Dates: March 11-14, 1986

Dr. John F. Walvoord, President, Dallas Theological Seminary, Texas
Topic: "The Nations in Prophecy"
Dates: March 18-21, 1986

Each lecture series will be held at 9:45 - 10:45 A.M., Tuesday through Friday in the Seminary Chapel except for the combined World Missions Conference which will be held in the College Chapel.

NEW EDITOR OF REFLECTIONS

As the new Director of Public Affairs, **Jerry Benjamin** also becomes the new editor of REFLECTIONS magazine. We are all extremely grateful for all the work Mr. Bob Evans has invested in the magazine to make it what it is today.

DR. FLETCHER'S SPEAKING CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- 2 Outstanding Speakers Conference
Fourth Presbyterian Church, Bethesda, MD
- 5 Parents' Day/WBC
Chinese Christian Church Conference/WBC
Calvary Bible Church
Ellerslie, MD
- 7-8 Pastor's Conference
New Life Bible Camp, Buffalo Mills, PA
- 13-16 Grace Brethren Church Missions Conference
Dayton, OH
- 18 Grace Brethren Church Missions Conference
Worthington, OH
- 19 All-Day Bible Seminar: James (WBC)
- 20-27 Camp Springs Community Church Revival
Services -- Camp Springs, MD
- 31-Nov. 2 AABC Annual Meetings
Chicago, IL

NOVEMBER

- 3 Grace Bible Church
Seabrook, MD
- 8-10 North Plainfield Baptist Church
North Plainfield, NJ
- 17 Washington Christian Center
Washington, DC
- Grace Baptist Church
Bowie, MD
- 23 Adult Sunday School Banquet
Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church
Hyattsville, MD
- 24 Cornerstone Baptist Church
LaVale, MD

PRAISE AND PRAYER

PRAISE

1. Praise the Lord that we ended the 1984-85 fiscal year in the black. This was in part due to our friends who gave a record gift income of \$629,582. Our thanks to you for your partnership in this ministry.
2. We rejoice in the new students enrolled in our programs. We praise Him for each one and are excited for them as they grow in the study of God's Word.

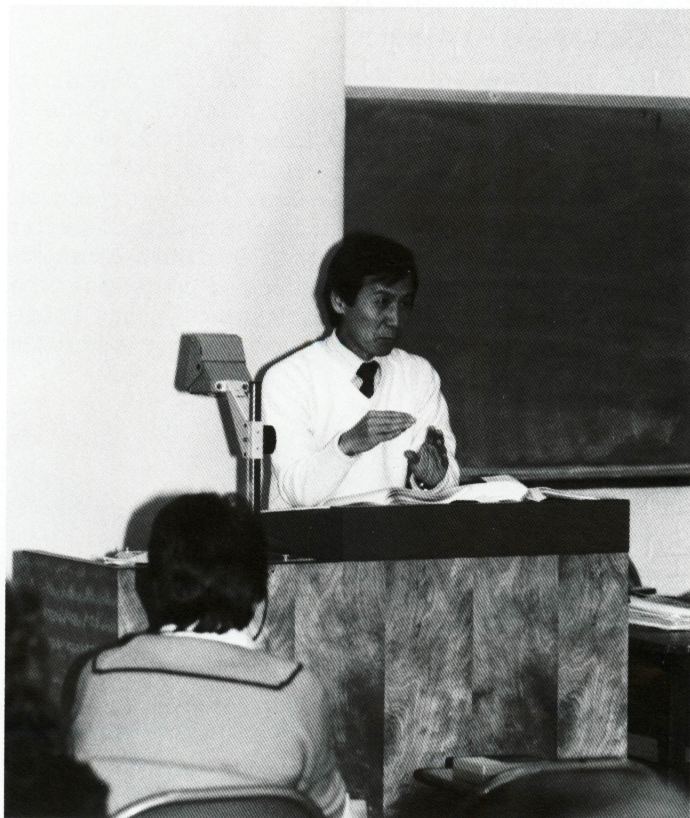
PRAYER

1. We praise the Lord for the new faculty and staff who have joined the WBC and CBS family. Please pray for them, their families, and all of the many adjustments to new responsibilities, especially at this busiest time of the year.
2. Pray for the College Preview Weekend, November 8-9, when prospective students are invited to visit the campus and see and experience first hand what a Bible education has to offer.

SPECIAL NEEDS

The following are our special needs at Washington Bible College/Capital Bible Seminary that are NOT part of the operating budget. Your prayers for these items to be met are greatly appreciated.

- **Labeler (Machine for mailings)**
Cost: \$4,000
- **Repair of Chapel Roof and Ceiling (Work is already completed)**
Cost: \$6,000
- **Renovation of the Darkroom and Music Wing/ Linton Hall**
Approximate Cost: \$70,000
- **Upgrading the Wiring and Plumbing/Men's Dormitory**
Approximate Cost: \$130,000
- **Van (New or used with low mileage)**
Approximate Cost: \$15,000
- **Tape Cassette Duplicator/Recording Studio**
Approximate Cost: \$2,500
- **Completion of New Entrance on Princess Garden Parkway**
Approximate Cost: \$25,000
- **Completion of Second Racquetball Court**
Cost: \$20,000
- **Upgrading of Staff Typewriters**
Cost: \$1,500 each
- **Personal Copiers for Departmental Use**
Cost: \$850 each



ALUMNI HOMECOMING AND CLASS REUNIONS '85

We had the best time ever as over 230 alumni came on campus for the annual homecoming dinner and class reunions the evening of May 17. The table chatter buzzed as everyone enjoyed the fellowship as much as the steak dinner plus a delicious after-dinner dessert that was served while we met together in our class reunion groups.

Mr. Bob Evans emceed the evening for the last time as our official Director of Alumni Affairs (see article "Farewell But Welcome"). The Ladies Trio



of 1965 brought back memories of bygone days as they shared in music (**Sue Helman Redman**, **Kathy Schuppe Shive**, and **Linda Call Koch**; **Ruth Wiles Shive** was unable to be with us). The program consisted of a "future look" given by **Dr. Harry Fletcher**; an "outside look" given by **Mr. Charles Dyer**, Vice President-Elect at that time; and an update given on the Seminary by **Dr. Homer Heater**. Dr. Heater expressed farewell to the alumni present and announced his joining of the faculty at Dallas Theological Seminary in the fall of 1985.

The "Alumnus-of-the-Year" Award 1985 was presented to **Miss Lianne Roembke** (WBC '67) *in absentia*. Miss Roembke has served with Campus Crusade for Christ for fifteen years, with the last ten years in the area of staff development and training in Europe. (Please see article "Alumnus-of-the-Year Award 1985").

During the class reunions, members of the faculties joined in a time of updating and sharing with the alumni. Some groups broke up early but many stayed to reminisce and enjoy a time of prayer together.

We sure hope you will be able to join with us this coming spring for our next homecoming activities. Put the date on your calendar now -- **May 16**. We will have lots of interesting program ideas so please come. It's always good to see you.

Remember Alumni Homecoming 1986 -- May 16.

ALUMNUS-OF-THE-YEAR AWARD 1985

In recognition of Lianne Roembke's fifteen years of service for the Lord, we honor her as does Campus Crusade for Christ. Here is an excerpt from Mr. Robert Moreno, Director of International Personnel:

Miss Roembke has been on the staff of Campus Crusade for Christ for fifteen years. She has been actively involved in developing training programs for our staff both in the United States and in Europe. The last ten years Miss Roembke has been the Staff Development and Training Coordinator for Europe. In this position she has helped design and implement training programs in evangelism and discipleship, personal growth and development, and cross-cultural adaptation for more than ten countries in Europe. Miss Roembke has made a tremendous contribution to the growth and expansion of the ministry

We have appreciated Miss Roembke's continuous, faithful, culturally sensitive and creative service

CONGRATULATIONS LIANNE and may you have many more years of successful ministry for the Lord as you faithfully serve Him.

FAREWELL BUT WELCOME

For many alumni of Washington Bible College and Capital Bible Seminary, the familiar exuberance and special greeting from **Mr. Bob Evans** will be greatly missed in the Alumni Affairs Office. We are sad to see him go but also excited for him in his new ministry with BCM International. We wish you much success, Bob, and know you will be well received by those missionaries that you will be serving in Europe. Come back and visit us often!

We would also like to welcome on board **Mr. Jerry Benjamin**, our new Public Affairs Director. Mr. Benjamin will also serve as the Director of Alumni Affairs. Please come by his office and introduce yourself when you come on campus. He is an alumnus of the Seminary so I am sure he will be a great asset in ministering to alumni. He will be happy to chat with you!

ALUMNI UPDATE

1980 - Present

Taiwo Alao (WBC '84) -- Nigeria, West Africa, has plans to return to his homeland for a ministry among the Moslems in the northern states of Nigeria. He hopes to be involved in Bible teaching and evangelism.

Brent Allen (WBC '80) is the assistant pastor of Grace Community Church, Brookfield, CT.

Dan Barnes (CBS '81) is an instructor at Maine Bible Institute along with the **Al Buzzells** (CBS '76) and **Marshall Hawkins** (CBS '79).

Carolyn Bentley (WBC '81) has completed her ministry as a teacher at El Camino Academy in Bogota, Colombia. She rejoices in the many lessons that were learned while serving with Wycliffe Bible Translators. She has returned to her home in Canada with plans to continue teaching.

Charlie Bing (WBC '81) has returned to his studies at Dallas Theological Seminary after a summer ministry teaching at Marantha Bible College in Ghana.

Jim and Joanne (Lyons) Callahan (WBC '80) -- OMF, Philippines -- departed in June for their new ministry as dorm parents at Faith Academy. They ask that we pray for wisdom for them as they care for seven children of missionaries as well as little Aaron and Audrey.

Ned (CBS '81) and **Shari Donaldson** -- OMF, Bangkok, Thailand -- are in the States for a short furlough after a term of continuing to teach at Bangkok Bible College. They can be reached at c/o Mr. & Mrs. Scott Rhodes, Route 10, Box 896, Hickory, NC 28601 if you would be interested in having them share their ministry.

Al Knoblock, Jr. (CBS '82, WBC '74) continues to pastor Winfield Bible Chapel, Woodbine, MD, and is teaching at Arlington Bible College, Baltimore, MD. His wife, **Peggy**, just graduated from the Adult Education Program in May.

Charles (WBC '85) and **Denise Kraebel** -- AMOC, Milford Center, NY -- moved this summer to begin a ministry with Milford Center Baptist Church where Charlie is pastor.

Rick Lyon (WBC '81) was ordained by Carmel Baptist Church, Ruther Glen, VA, on September 15. Rick is involved with the youth ministry at Carmel as well as radio announcer for WIVE station.

David (CBS '81, WBC '77) and **Karen (Bailey) McDowall** have left the teaching ministry of London Baptist Bible College & Seminary to begin a new ministry with Heritage Baptist Church, Guelph, Ontario, where Dave will be the pastor.

Dan (CBS '83) and **Melody Nickel** -- UFM Int'l, Ireland -- have arrived in their new home to begin a ministry with the Irish people. Pray for them as they make adjustments and establish new friendships as well as share the precious gospel message.

Ruth Nkomalume (WBC '83) writes that she is now studying for her graduate degree in missiology in Seoul, Korea. She looks forward to returning to her homeland of Zambia to serve the Lord.

Jung-Sun Park (Former Student) -- TEAM, Appointee to Taiwan -- is presently on deputation and comments that "it is fun, agony, misery, and blessing."

Steve and Arlene (Fletcher, WBC '82) Richardson -- Pioneers, Appointees to Irian Jaya -- ask that we pray with them that God would help them in "recruiting" ten individuals (or five couples) to assist them in frontier church planting.

Guy (CBS '85) and **Susan Simpson** have accepted the pastorate at Calvary Baptist Church in Bedford, PA, where Guy began his preaching ministry in September.

Sinh (WBC '81) and **Mai Ung** -- Pioneers, Hong Kong -- sent us their last prayer letter that was full of praises to God for His faithful support team (churches, individuals, etc.) who have faithfully given prayer, spiritual counsel and encouragement and financial help. The Ungs are presently on furlough and may be contacted for meetings through Pioneers, P. O. Box 527, Sterling, VA 22170.

Fred (CBS '81) and **Norma Wittman** -- WEF Ministries, Australia -- ask that we pray with them that God would direct in their selecting a pastor for the Wagga church ministry. Fred continues to teach at Bimbadeen Aboriginal College where Norma finds herself busy with the Ladysmith Bible study every week.

1976 - 1979

Les (WBC '76) and **Nancy (Myatt, WBC '72) Bell** -- Village Missions, NY -- have moved to Grace Bible Church where Les will pastor this 2½ year old congregation. Pray with them that the Lord would give wisdom as they lead this body of believers.

Jim Birkitt (WBC '79), pastor of Carmel Baptist Church, was a guest of the Reagan Administration August 1 for a White House briefing. The session reviewed the Reagan tax proposals and their impact on low-income families.

Chuck Dexter (WBC '79) is enrolled in the music program at California State University Chico. He hopes to use this education to help communicate the message of Christ in future missions work.

Bob (WBC '76) and **Deidra (Millington, WBC '74) Ewerth** -- Open Air Campaigners, PA -- ask special prayer for more staff workers to help with the ministry in Philadelphia. Pray that God would send them an evangelist to replace Eric who has moved to Boston to begin a branch ministry.

Ron (WBC '79) and **Nancy Fenwick** are excited about the new relocation of their church, Woodlawn Baptist Church, in Mitchellville, MD. Ron reports that they now have an average of 600 in Sunday school.

Rev. Tom Harris (WBC '77) has completed two years of ministry at Potomac Chapel, VA, as pastor of Education and Single Adults. He also participated in a 15-day preaching ministry during the spring of 1985 on the Islands of St. Vincent's, Grenada and Barbados.

Glenn (CBS '79) and **Narci (Naas, WBC '78) Herr** -- International Missions, Hong Kong -- are home on their first furlough. Glenn is continuing his graduate studies at Wheaton Grad School. If you would like a firsthand report on their first term you may contact them at: 309 Chaletaine Court, Clarendon Hills, IL 60514.

Katie (Owen, WBC '76) Mable, along with husband **Skip**, are directors of High Point Camp and Conference Center in Geigertown, PA.

Ken (CBS '75, WBC '72) and **Ginny (Fletcher, WBC '79) Mauger** -- Pioneers, South Africa -- are actively involved with the Laudium Bible Church. Laudium is a town of some 30-40,000 Indians composed primarily of Hindus and Muslims. Ken has begun a discipleship ministry with three young men, so pray for wisdom as he directs them in their spiritual growth.

Susan Oppenheimer (WBC '75) -- International Missions, Kenya, East Africa, asks that we pray for her readjustment to the ministry after a time of furlough this summer as well as the supply of a car that is of sensible price.

James and Elizabeth (Keast) Schaefer (WBC '79), Grace Brethren Foreign Missions, Mexico City -- say that it is "exciting" to be in the world's largest city. They are finding that hospitality has been one of the most effective ways to reach their neighbors as well as to minister to the church body.

Jackie Smallbones (WBC '77) has had the opportunity to do some writing. Look for her published articles in *Christian Education Journal* which are yet future. She is also writing for some South African publications. She says her subject matter ranges from "Developing a Philosophy for Christian Education" to "How to Get the Most from a Sermon."

1971 - 75

Chaplain (Major) Winfield "Dick" Buzby (CBS '71) was awarded a doctor of ministry degree from Drew University in Madison, NJ, in conjunction with the U.S. Army Chaplain School at Fort Monmouth. Maj. Buzby is currently stationed at Fort Bliss, El Paso, TX, with his wife Pat and two daughters, Julie and Keri.

Larry (WBC '75) and **Donna Dahlborg** -- Village Missions, NY -- are pleased with their church in Thurston. Pray for Larry as he directs this body of believers as their pastor and as they begin to reach out to their community through home Bible studies and visitation.

Maureen Finnegan (Former Student '72-'74) -- CEF, Hawaii -- is ministering to children "on the windward side of Oahu about fifteen minutes from Gertrude Shaffer (AE '65) in Kaneohe." Pray for Maureen as she adjusts to the climate and new surroundings which are affecting her allergy problems.

Wayne (WBC '72) and **Marie** (WBC '71) **Harms** -- MAVPAC, Inc. -- have had to go separate ways for a time as Wayne received official orders to Osan Air Force Base Chapel, Korea, for a one-year tour. Please pray for the Harms that God would use this separation time as a growing time in their family.

Joe (CBS '75) and **Bonnie Henriques** have recently returned from Portugal after completing the planting of a church (as well as a Christian school). God has brought good leadership to these ministries so Joe has returned home to do some graduate studies in counseling with a view to beginning a new ministry as directed by the Lord in December of 1986.

Eric Lambert (WBC '75) wrote in response to a class reunion letter from **Rod Doran** (WBC '75), "it doesn't seem like 10 years -- but sometimes it does . . . one wife, three kids, three moves, one church, three years of seminary . . . etc., etc." Eric resides in Newburg, NY, and would love to hear from his classmates of '75.

Chaplain (Major) Paul (CBS '71, WBC '68) and **Judy (Rine, WBC '68) Pease** have been assigned to minister primarily to the members of the First Signal Brigade scattered throughout Korea. Pray for them as

they continue to readjust to their new home. **Congratulations, Paul**, on receiving a promotion to the rank of Major.

Jayne White (WBC '74) has accepted a position in the Spiritual Counseling Department of the Billy Graham Evangelical Association.

Josh Yego (WBC '74) has been named the College Registrar at the University of Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa.

1966 - 70

Jane (Foye) Franks (WBC '66) enjoys her work with Campus Crusade in their Office of Development along with doing free lance editing and writing. Her husband, Gene, also contributes with free lance illustrations for CCC and Here's Life Publishers. They both enjoy teaching junior church as a ministry together in their church.

Sami (WBC '69) and **Roxanne Kanani** -- Baptist Mid-Missions, Campus Bible Fellowship, MD -- ask prayer for Sami's health as he continues to recover from a heart attack this past May. Sami is doing some graduate work at Capital Bible Seminary this quarter.

John (WBC '66) and **Joanne (Gehman, WBC '64) Malone** -- Gospel Missionary Union, Ecuador -- returned to the States this summer for John to undergo chest surgery for a tumor. Pray for his continued recuperation as he continues his many responsibilities.

Steve (WBC '69) and **Leah Walter** -- Wycliffe Bible Translators, Colombia -- give the Lord praise for the many things that God has accomplished in their five years in Colombia: New Testaments have been completed in five more languages, three new languages have been entered, bilingual education programs in four different languages are just a few of God's blessings in their ministry.

1945 - 65

Bob (WBC '65) and **Martha (Miles, WBC '64) Evans** -- BCM International, PA -- joined the BCM staff on August 1 to begin a ministry with their missionaries in Europe. Bob was named Assistant to the Director, giving oversight to over 100 staff personnel in 14 countries.

William Hoffman (WBC '65) was unable to join the class of '65 for their reunion in May so he sent an update about his ministry at First Baptist Church, West Newton, PA. The church celebrated its 100th anniversary in June. He gives the Lord praise for the growth he has seen over the past nine years. Bill and his wife, Judi, have two children.

WEDDING BELLS RANG FOR...

Priscilla "Penny" Seitz (Present Student) and **Allen Cameron** (Present Student) on July 6, 1985.

Elaine Duncan (WBC '81) and Jeffrey Cousins on June 8, 1985.

Susan Faris (WBC '81) and David Jones on June 23, 1984. Susan is teaching second grade at Berwyn Baptist School.

Carol Fletcher (Former Student) and Gary Franz on June 22, 1985.

Celia Hutchings and **John Fletcher** (WBC '80) on May 18, 1985.

Elizabeth Showler and **Ed Garvey, Jr.** (WBC '84) on June 8, 1985.

Marilyn Hill (WBC '85) and **Gary Yates** (WBC '83) on June 1, 1985. Gary returns to Dallas Theological Seminary for his third year of studies while Marilyn will be teaching second grade at Metropolitan Christian School in Dallas, TX.

Carolyn Hintz (WBC '80) and Jean-Louis Martinez on June 1, 1985, in Grenoble, France.

Becky Hornberger (WBC '83) and Charles Richburg on October 5, 1985.

Haeryeon Kim (Present Student) and **Philip Johnson** (WBC '85) on August 10, 1985.

Scarlett King (Former Student) and **Andy Coblentz** (Former Student) on June 15, 1985.

Grace Piper (Former Student) and **Rick Stolpner** (Present Student) on July 13, 1985.

Paula Guyer and **Roger Seekell** (WBC '76) on June 29, 1985.

Janie Boone (Former Student) and **Christopher Simmons** (WBC '86) on August 3, 1985.

Tracey Ward and **David Gaines** (Present Student) on August 10, 1985. Tracey works on our library staff in Oyer Memorial Library.

ANNOUNCING THE ARRIVAL OF...

Lindsay Christine, September 11, 1985, to Jerry and **Lois (Carlson, WBC '73) Anderson**.

Danielle Marguerite, July 4, 1985, to Jim and **Jennifer (Alsrue, WBC '79) Bowers**.

Jason Alan, July 24, 1985, to **Randy and Sharon (Trout) Caudill** (WBC '82).

Nicole Andrea, February 28, 1985, to **Scott** (WBC '79) and **Peggy Cooper**. Scott received his M.A. degree from Dallas Theological Seminary in May and accepted the pastorate at Springfield Church of the Brethren, Coopersburg, PA.

Daniel, March 12, 1985, to **Mitch** (WBC '83) and **Faith Dillon**. The Dillons just moved to Hope, ME, where they will begin a ministry with AMOC.

Stephen James, July 3, 1985, to **Curtis** (WBC '85) and **Donna (Ballard, WBC '84) Edwards**.

Karen Sarah, January 26, 1985, to **Bob** (CBS '78, WBC '73) and **Patricia Ellis**.

Christina Nicole, July 20, 1985, to **David** (WBC '85) and **Robin (Mitchell) Genter**.

Richard Patrick, July 9, 1985, to **Rick** (CBS '83) and **Pat Gregory**.

Christin Elizabeth, June 30, 1985, to **Pat** (WBC '79) and **Robin** (CBS '85) **Kearney**.

Maureen Elizabeth, August 3, 1985, to **Dean and Bev (Runde) Kennedy** (WBC '75). Dean is now on staff at Fairfax Christian School, Fairfax, VA.

Jordan Nahum, May 17, 1985, to **Steve** (CBS '81) and **Cindy Lyman**. Steve is currently teaching Greek at Southern Bible Institute and a painter in Dallas, TX.

Corey Timothy, June 11, 1985, to **Dan** (CBS '83) and **Melody Nickel**. The Nickels just arrived in Ireland to begin a ministry with UFM International.

Winston Barrett, May 2, 1985, to **Dave** (CBS '82, WBC '80) and **Carolyn (Johnson) Oppenheimer**.

Andrew Carl, August 9, 1985, to **Joel** (WBC '80) and **Cheryl (Baker, WBC '81) Ralon**.

Esther Annajean, July 17, 1985, to **David** (Present CBS Student) and **Paula (Sleeper, WBC '72) Schnittger**.

Christie Joy, July 13, 1985, to **Bob and Leisa (Roszman) Shull** (WBC '83).

Danielle Nicole, August 3, 1985, to **Wayne and Marie Strickland**. Wayne serves on the faculty of CBS while Marie teaches in the College.

Priscilla Faith, February 27, 1985, to **Doug** (CBS '84) and **Beth Ullman**.

Corrie T., June 9, 1985 to **Ray** (WBC '80) and **Aartje Walters**. The Walters are serving with Overseas Missionary Fellowship in Southern Thailand.

HOMEGOINGS

We wish to extend our sincere sympathies to **Cathy (Boyle, WBC '81) Decker**, and her mother, at the homegoing of father and husband on June 20, 1985. Mrs. Boyle is at home recuperating from the auto accident which took Mr. Boyle's life. Cathy served on the Public Affairs staff of the College.

Patrick "Pat" Dickenson (WBC '77) went to be with Lord on June 23, 1985, after suffering from a respiratory problem. Pat was involved as a leader with the Student Missions Fellowship while a student. We rejoice with him that his favorite verse is now a reality -- "That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection..." (Phil. 3:10).

After a 15-month battle with cancer, **Sandy Lowry Sparks** (WBC '80) is now enjoying the presence of the Lord. Many of you prayed for the Sparkses during this time and we are sure **Lance** (WBC '80) would be pleased to have you continue to pray for him as he now takes on the responsibility of caring for little Allen. Please encourage him through your letters by writing him at 48 McKeel Avenue, Tarrytown, NY 10591. Lance will continue to serve on the staff of The King's College in New York.

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CHRISTMAS BUFFET AND CONCERT

December 6 & 7, 1985

The Annual Christmas Buffet and Concert will be held in Wagner Center, December 6 and 7. This festive evening, sponsored by our Women's Auxiliary, has become a tradition for many. The evening includes a delicious buffet dinner plus a special Christmas musical program. Make your reservations early and plan to begin your Christmas season at WBC.

Dates & Times: Friday, December 6 at 6:45 P.M.
Saturday, December 7 at 6:00 P.M.

Location: Wagner Center
Washington Bible College Campus

Cost: \$7.50 per person

Reservations: Your reservations may be made with the Public Affairs Office, (301) 552-1400, Ext. 222

DEADLINE: Monday, December 2

Invitations will be mailed along with a reservation reply card to be returned with your payment.



COLLEGE PREVIEW WEEKEND

November 8 & 9, 1985

We have reserved a special weekend for you to experience student life at Washington Bible College. You will be able to sit in on actual classes, attend chapel and talk with our faculty, staff and students.

Spend two days on campus. All meals are free, including a candlelight dinner on Friday. On Saturday, a special sightseeing trip is planned.

If you are high school age or over, make your plans to attend by contacting the Admissions Office, (301) 552-1400, Ext. 216.

Parents and counselors are also encouraged to attend.

HOLY LAND STUDY TOUR

June 9-21, 1986

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